



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of:
Robert Billingsley

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§ Group Art Unit: 3672
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§ Examiner: Hoang C. Dang
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Title: METHOD APPARATUS FOR HORIZONTAL DRILLING AND OIL RECOVERY

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Dear Examiner Dang,

In response to the Examiner's communication mailed November 19, 2002, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute in this application the following species:

The species depicted by Figures 1, 2, and 3.

Claims 1-6 are readable upon this species. Claims 7-11 have been cancelled pending the filing of a divisional application.

Respectfully submitted,

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